IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Anna Marie Pyle and Eckhard Jankowsky

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Sir:

PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby request a three-month extension of time for filing a response to the Final Office Action issued on July 21, 2004 in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the July 21, 2004 Final Office Action was originally due October 21, 2004. Applicants hereby request a three-month extension of time from October 21, 2004 to January 21, 2005 for responding to the July 21, 2004 Final Office Action in order to file a Notice of Appeal for the above-identified application. The fee for the extension of time is \$510.00, and a check for that amount is enclosed. Accordingly, the subject application is pending on January 21, 2005 for the purpose of filing a Notice of Appeal.

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other than the enclosed \$510.00 fee, is deemed No fee, necessary in connection with the filing of this Petition. However, if any additional fee is required, authorization is given to charge the amount of such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

Respectfully submitted,

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited this date with the U.S. Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to:

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